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Gymnastic competition resumes this weekend for the University of Montana women's gymnastic team after a break of nearly two months. In its last outing, the UM team triumphed over Montana State University and Western Montana College in the November 18 compulsory meet at Dillon.

Saturday morning the Montana gymnasts go up against Montana State and Western Montana for the second time this season. This will be UM's first optional meet. Warmups are scheduled for 8:00 a.m., with competition in the four women's events beginning at 9:00 a.m. Varsity and junior varsity events will run concurrently in the newly opened Recreation Complex at the north end of the Adams Field House.

Saturday's meet is the first home meet for the UM gymnasts in two years. The new facility has made it possible for the UM team to host several meets.

With the meet as a preliminary, a gymnastics judging clinic is scheduled at noon. Karen Patiole, a high school teacher from Seattle, Washington, will be the director. Mrs. Patiole is an internationally rated judge. She worked with U.S. Olympian Cathy Rigby at the Japanese Gymnastic Invitational meet last year. She also served as judge at the meet.

The clinic is open to anyone interested in gymnastics. New optional moves and clarification of new rulings will be covered. In addition, training films will be shown that are beneficial for preparing for the judging test to be held this March.

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